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POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS AND POSSIBLE REFERENCE TO MININ (1943)

From: WASHINGTON

To: MOSCOW

No: 1961

13 Aug. 43

To: [Name No. 42]. [1]

Reference No. 3187. [a]

1. After each postal despatch we shall send by telegraph a list of the material despatched, [together with] [b] the cover-names and surnames, in order to preserve security and speed up reporting. We did not consider it [B% desirable] to repeat the very same cover-names and [2 groups unrecovered] [C% in] the material. Apparently your workers do not keep this information. Ask [D% MININ] [ii] for all the telegrams [relating to] [a] postal despatches. Such [3 groups unrecoverable] the last two despatches. In future we shall be guided by your instructions.

2. [D% I] [1 group unrecovered] [D% up] one despatch according to instructions. A second despatch we photographed, as we did not risk sending the letter openly. A third despatch was sent in my absence (I was away on a trip).

No. 623

[Name No. 91] [iii]

Notes: [a] Not available.

[b] Inserted by translator.

[c] "relating to" inserted by translator. The Russian is cryptic.

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Comments: [i] Name No. 42 : Possibly Capt. (1st Rank) M. A. VORONTsOV.

[ii] MININ : This probably refers to the cipher officer in MOSCOW, and could be his real name. Possibly equates with Name No. 16. See MOSCOW to WASHINGTON No. 478 of 19th March, 1943 (3/NBF/T1 596) and WASHINGTON to MOSCOW No. 849 of 20th April, 1943 (3/NBF/T1 339).

[iii] Name No. 91 : Probably Capt. (1st Rank) I. A. EGORICHEV, Soviet Naval Attaché in Washington. He had been absent from WASHINGTON shortly before this date when he visited FLORIDA on 1st-3rd August accompanied by Aleksandr Fedorovich BELIKOV, Assistant Naval Attaché. Two intelligence messages sent from WASHINGTON on 4th August were signed by Name No. 58 - unidentified - (both sent under WASHINGTON's No. 1852 - 3/NBF/T1 301).

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